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## "CAPTURE" OF AN ARMY CELEBRATED

Reported Surrender of Crown Prince and His Army Occasion of Gay Time.

## CITY WILD WITH DELIGHT

Patriotic Alma Turned Out To Last Person to Make Night One Long to be Remembered.

Even though the news proved to be slightly untrue, it was some celebration that the people of the city of Alma staged in record time last Thursday evening when the report spread around the city to the effect that the crown prince and his army of 480,000 men had surrendered to the allied armies in France.

Soon after 7 o'clock that evening the word of the "surrender" became known around the city, and almost immediately every church bell and whistle, or other thing on which a noise could be made was put into use and some noise was made, which had the people in the country for miles around wondering what in the dickens was happening in Alma, that would cause so much noise. It also had the citizens of the city wondering what was the matter also, and telephone calls by the hundreds were made, and the central girls were kept busy for some hours explaining that the great capture had been made.

With the "great news" Alma promptly went crazy, crazy with joy. Everyone it seemed, who was not confined in bed with sickness was afflicted with the craze. All of them hit the high spots for the business section of the city, until some thousands of people were down town, parading up and down, yelling like a pack of wildmen, as if in fact most of them were.

A barrel was hastily placed in the middle of the street, there to do duty as a speakers' stand, and speaker after speaker arose to the occasion, and a great flow of oratory poured forth, in which the armies of the Allies were praised to the skies.

Hundreds of automobiles paraded the streets, decorated with flags. Hundreds of people gathered at the various corners and street intersections down town and sang patriotic songs for hours. Snake dances of every conceivable variety were pulled off. People who had never seen others before, and probably never will again, hugged each other in their patriotic joy, pounded each other on the back, and all but shed tears of joy. Bonfires were lighted, which burned for hours.

Finally, some of the more sober minded in the crowd endeavored to find out if the report was confirmed. Late that night word from one of the state papers was to the effect that there was no confirmation of the wild rumor.

Alma celebrated, however, in great style, again proving that she can come up to the demands of the moment, and her patriotic citizens are now waiting for the chance to celebrate a great victory, which is certain to come. They promise one another that it will be a celebration long to be remembered, as will be the one of last Thursday evening.

## WHO PAYS?

Johnson Claims Walk Not Put in Legally by Street Committee.

Some sidewalk was constructed in the city during the past week upon which a question is sure to arise as to who will pay for its construction, and it is very possible that before the matter is entirely cleared up it may result in a suit in the courts.

The matter came up between D. L. Johnson and Chairman Fullerton of the street committee. Mr. Johnson recently purchased the Dr. C. B. Gardner residence at the corner of State and Downey, thus becoming a party to the proposition in place of Dr. Gardner.

It seems that in June of 1916 a petition was sent to the city council by the residents of Downey street asking for a sidewalk on the south side of the street between State and Gratiot and the petition asked that such walk, if constructed, be set six feet out from the property line.

On June 13, 1916, this petition was rejected by the council, until the residents of the street in the two blocks affected were ready to have the walk placed where it should be. Nothing further was done at the time.

Last year a petition was made for a walk between Woodworth and Gratiot on the south side of Downey and by motion at the meeting of Tuesday, May 15, 1917, this walk was ordered constructed.

Just recently a new petition went in to the council by Mr. Seaman, who lives on the south side of East Downey, between State and Woodworth, which was signed by just himself, asking for a walk in front of his property. This was referred to the street committee by the council, with power to act.

This past week the sidewalk was started in this block, and Mr. Johnson contends that the chairman of the street committee exceeded his

## DEFEAT ELM HALL

Playing on Home Grounds Republics Found Visitors Rather Easy.

The Republic base ball team found the Elm Hall nine rather easy in the scheduled game of Friday and showed over a 14 to 4 victory, by way of showing the visitors that while they might get the Truckmakers and make them go fourteen innings at Elm Hall, they were outclassed on a fast diamond.

At no time during the game did the Elm Hall team look like a winner, the Truckmakers taking the lead at the start and holding it through the entire battle.

Johnson, the clever Elm Hall hurler, who will be remembered as a former Alma high star in years gone by was not in the shape that he was in when the Republics played at Elm Hall, and was located during the contest for no less than a dozen bingles. At critical stages his support wobbled.

Falkner was on the mound for the Republics, and he hurled a nice game, keeping his hits fairly well scattered, except in a couple of innings. He was not forced to extend himself, however, in view of the commanding lead which the team gave him with the mace, and a run or two Elm Hall did get could have been cut down in a tight game, had superfluous hurling been needed.

LaVoit, backstop of the visiting team, pulled the feature play of the day with a homer, which was the longest hit so far on Republic field. The batteries—Elm Hall: Johnson and LaVoit; Alma: Faulkner and Smith, Bliss.

## BUY W.S.S.— FORTY-SIX MEN CALLED TO REPORT

New Registrants Will Be Examined Here Friday by County Draft Board.

The Gratiot county draft board has called forty-six men for physical examination at the offices of the draft board in Alma for Friday, August 2. The men who are called for examination are nearly all twenty-ones.

The list follows:  
30 Berry, Harry, Ashley  
118 Butten, Harold, Alma  
123 Howard, Clyde S., Alma  
124 Parker, Walter, Alma  
126 Kuecher, Wm. A., Carson City  
129 Baker, Lester M., Alma  
132 Boardman, Joe L., Middleton  
134 White, Henry O., Alma  
135 Griffin, Earl E., Wheeler  
143 Sattler, Thomas W., Middleton  
152 Slater, Joseph, Alma  
156 Baker, W. Jay, Perinton  
157 Eldridge, Earl H., St. Louis  
158 Showers, Harry, St. Louis  
159 Frick, Percy L., St. Louis  
162 Coleman, Earl H., Hastings  
163 Showers, Harry, St. Louis  
164 Grandy, Alfred H., Ithaca  
172 Micht, Robert S., Alma  
173 Green, Lewis, Alma  
181 Ward, Jay Lewis, St. Louis  
182 Doherty, John, Perinton  
183 Bailey, John, Alma  
189 Best, Charlie, Ithaca  
194 Crawford, Morrison W., Ithaca  
201 Mitchell, Charles, Rochester  
202 Smith, Fred D., Crystal  
203 Probst, Charles, North Star  
208 Peterson, Joseph A., Alma  
211 Lomaden, Richard, Jr., Ithaca  
213 Riedel, Ralph C., Alma  
219 Green, William, Alma  
220 Folsom, William, Barton, Alma  
224 Jackson, Thomas, Alma  
225 Smith, Malcolm, Jr., Alma  
226 Chase, Edward, Richard, Ithaca  
240 Baker, Arnold G., Ithaca  
241 Baker, Loren, Lewis, Perinton  
244 Cummings, Russell A., Alma  
247 Ryan, Jacob, Alma  
248 Freeland, John, Henry, Ashley  
250 Langworthy, Francis M., Riverdale  
251 Vrac, Elmer, John, Ithaca  
252 Kiefer, Joseph, Ithaca  
258 Boyles, Leroy E., Alma

authority in putting the walk by his house. A notice was served on Mr. Johnson in regard to the walk, which he says he was served before he owned the property. He claims that he did not petition for a walk, and it is said that the former owner, Dr. Gardner, never consented to withdraw his request in the old petition in regard to the walk being set out.

Mr. Johnson thus contends that the walk under the sidewalk ordinance, as the walk was not petitioned for, that no proper resolution was passed by the council, that the council did not make an appropriation for the walk, that it has no funds for the construction of the walk, and sufficient notice was not given, and that the legal forms and procedure have not been complied with.

When interviewed Mr. Johnson stated that he had intended to get out an injunction to stop the work, but was assured by the city attorney that an injunction would not be needed. Mr. Spiney, the city attorney, in turn had been assured that the walk would not go past the alley. When work started on the walk, they were ordered to stop by the city attorney, but the chairman of the street committee informed the city attorney that his advice had not been sought yet, and that the work was in his hands under charge of the council. When Mr. Johnson found out that work was being started on the walk, it was too late for him to get an injunction, so he went over to his house and ordered the men off.

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Mr. J. Frank Jackson underwent a serious operation at Carney hospital the first of the week. Her condition is reported as very satisfactory.

## PROMINENT ALMA COUPLE MARRIED

Miss Edna Macomber and Ralph B. Wagner, Principals in Quiet Wedding.

## UNITED BY REV. JACKSON

Ceremony Took Place at Episcopal Church at Nine O'clock Wednesday Morning.

Miss Edna Macomber and Mr. Ralph B. Wagner, both of this city, were quietly married yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at the Episcopal church by the Rev. J. Frank Jackson.

Only two or three of the intimate friends of the young couple were present at the church when Rev. Jackson said the words which united their lives. Very few were aware that the marriage was to take place at that hour and as a result the customary sendoff of rice, old shoes, etc., was missing, when the newly married couple left Alma by auto, taking the train east at Breckenridge for a two weeks' wedding trip at Lake Orin, Detroit, Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Wagner had been employed by the Gratiot County Gas company at its Alma office for some time, and during the time she has been in Alma she has made a host of friends, through her kindly disposition and charming ways. She came to Alma from Saginaw to take this position and has a host of friends in that city also.

Mr. Wagner is the manager of the Gratiot County Gas company, and is one of the principal stockholders in this concern. He came to Alma several years ago and was one of the prime movers in the formation of the company, and through his good executive ability and management has seen the company enjoy a good growth. His connection with this company has brought him into close contact, not only with the business men of the city but with the citizens generally and he numbers the greater part of them among his friends.

Last Friday evening, the employees of the Gratiot County Gas company held a reception for them at the offices of the company in this city, sixteen being present, and they presented them with a fine set of silverware. A short musical entertainment was given, which was followed by a delightful luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wagner will be at home to their many friends in this city after August 15.

## CHAUTAUQUA

Alma Red Cross Started Ticket Selling Campaign This Morning.

The ladies of the Red Cross are now working along a new line of endeavor with a view of securing additional funds for the use of the local branch of the Red Cross, this being the sale of tickets for the annual Redpath chautauqua, the sale of which was started this morning by the ladies.

Reports received just as The Record went to press indicate that the sale of the tickets is starting off in whirlwind fashion and it is estimated that over a hundred tickets will be sold before the day is over and that a great many more will be spoken for in addition to those which will be sold during the day.

The ladies undertook the sale of the tickets with a view of selling more than the contract number and as a result, secure a neat commission on the sales of all tickets over the 750 needed to fill the contract.

Within the next week every home in Alma will be canvassed in the ticket sale by members of the committee, and everyone given a chance to purchase a chautauqua ticket right at his own door. The tickets are \$2.50 each, this being the same price as a year ago, before the expenses of such enterprises began to climb to the high point that they have reached today.

There seems to be but little question but what the ladies will sell at least the required number of tickets to fill the contract, and it is confidently expected that they will do far better than this, as they have worked up a fine organization and intend to leave no stone unturned to make the sale one of the most successful chautauqua ticket sales ever held here.

The chautauqua will be held in the same place again this year, this being at the entrance to Wright Park from State street, and just to the north of the Masonic Home, which is the most convenient place which the city affords for this entertainment.

## BUY W.S.S.— HEARING CONTINUED

Miss Spencer of Detroit, recently arrested for grand larceny from the D. W. Robinson stores in this city, was in Alma Thursday for her hearing. The hearing continued throughout the day and well into the night, and was then adjourned for two weeks. She is charged with removing a quantity of goods from the Robinson stores, while conducting a demonstration there recently.

## SELLING RAPIDLY

Post Office Reports Good Sale of War Savings Stamps to Date.

Postmaster V. P. Cash has reported that the sale of War Savings Stamps at the local post office is rapidly increasing as the months go by, the greatest portion of the increase coming in the last two months, since the people of the city have been awakened to the needs of purchasing War Savings Stamps.

At the present time the post office has sold about forty thousand dollars worth of War Savings stamps. This is far less than half of the quota of the city, with over half of the year gone by.

The sale of War Savings stamps, however, started in very slowly, and has only lately gained momentum, and at the rate of the sales at the present time Alma will achieve her quota before the close of the year.

## BUY W.S.S.— YOUNG MEN IN THE ARMY WRITE HOME

Kenneth Montigel and Others Tell of Experiences They Are Going Through.

Three very interesting letters from boys in training or enroute to the front in France have been turned over to the Alma Record for publication, all of which are very interesting.

One of these is from Kenneth B. Montigel, son of former Mayor J. M. Montigel, who is in training at Fort Sheridan, Illinois. The second one was written by Claude Riley a month ago from England, while waiting orders to go from there to France. The third letter is from Ora L. Hulwick, who is in training at Camp Mills New York.

Fort Sheridan, Ill. Saturday Morning.

Dear Father, Anna & Glenn: I have left today this afternoon and city leave tomorrow for 12 hours. Consequently I am writing this letter in the Y. M. C. A. where everything in the line of information and entertainment can be obtained. Little booklets give us the words of President Wilson, and other noted authors. A little cloth-bound new testament is given to every one, who will sign his name on it, signifying that he will read it each day. I took one. Marshall Field company has an exchange on the grounds besides the supply stores of the post.

We just finished a hard morning's drill. We got up at 5:00 a. m., and had mess at 6:00. By 7:30 we were on the review field. There we were reviewed by Major McCasky and a Canadian Highlander officer. After taking a three mile hike, we were ready for a dinner of potatoes, creamed peas, roast beef and liver, gravy, apple pudding, white bread, and coffee. Plenty of everything. This is changed every meal. You ought to see the ice cream cones they sell here.

I imagine about 15,000 to 20,000 a day for 5,000 boys and regulars—of course we are in the regular service now.

I am sending you a camp paper; read it closely and learn a lot of news. Notice that the picture of Lt. L. C. Williams of the regular army is one of the Michigan officers. He came back from the Philippine Islands.

The 40th regular U. S. infantry is just changing the guard outside. There are twenty companies here of 150 men each, making five battalions in all. The fifth battalion consists of one headquarters company, one bomb company, one engineering company and one machine gun company. The other battalions are all infantry.

Sincerely yours,  
K. B. Montigel.

The following letter from Private Claude Riley written from England, will prove very interesting to Record readers.

In England, June 29, 1918.

Well I figure that when we get across the pond safely that we have won our first great victory over Germany and here I am safe enough, so far and feeling fine now. I didn't feel so good for the first few days of our trip, but it didn't last long, and the rest of the trip was all O. K. We had a nice boat, a nice place to sleep and didn't even see a U-boat, let alone being sunk by one.

We are now located in a rest camp with nothing to do, but eat and sleep and our worst trouble is to find something to pass away the time.

Harry Lauder was in Camp the other evening and entertained us for a couple of hours. I suppose you have heard of him, as nearly everybody has.

I was up last evening and visited the graves of forty-one of our American boys and if ever I realized that we are in a war, I realized it when I looked upon these graves and right there I took off my hat to the boys that were under the wooden crosses, and did some deep thinking.

It's old and it is beginning to be light very old and very beautiful. I wish I might tell you about it, but dare not of course, as it would not pass the censor.

When I first landed in England, I did not like it, but the more I see of this island, the better it looks to me. The nights are rather cold and very short, as the sun sets about 9:00 (Continued on page four)

## GIRLS TAKEN IN TOW BY OFFICER

Picked Up on Streets Monday Night and Are Being Held in Ithaca.

## HAVE HAD EXAMINATIONS

Being Held Pending Word from the Government over Line of Action to be Taken.

Treva Franklin, the young girl who figured prominently in the John Doe justice court proceedings before D. L. Johnson last fall, shortly after the murder of Beatrice Epler, and a companion, Effie Marvin, bumped into a peck of trouble Monday evening, and are now being held in the detention rooms at the court house in Ithaca, pending word from the government, or until other action is taken.

It is reported that one of the girls is only sixteen years old and that the other is seventeen years of age, but if the alleged reports concerning the young girls are true, both have learned the lure of the life of the red lights.

About two weeks ago a complaint was made to Oscar Vibber, chief of police, regarding their actions and since that time they have been watched very closely. It is said that they have had a special regard for the soldiers who have been in and out of the city for some months.

Monday things came to a focus. Vibber had an interview in certain quarters in regard to the matter, having been able to discover nothing that would enable him to hold the girls. His line of action was determined as a result.

Monday evening both of the girls were picked up and following an examination as to their condition they were taken to Ithaca and are now held in the detention rooms at the court house.

Government officials have been notified in regard to the matter and Chief of Police Vibber is expecting to hear from them at any time in regard to the disposition of the case.

Treva Franklin and her friend Effie are both married, but neither seems to know where her husband is. Treva Franklin, or Sanderson, as she was known before her marriage, popped into the limelight for the first time in the justice court grand jury proceedings here last fall, and later as an important witness in the Epler murder case.

## BUY W.S.S.— SOME WORK

Growth of Alma Makes Great Deal More Work for Officials.

The growth of the city of Alma is having its effect on the officials of the city who are finding that they have more work to do each day, as the city increases in size. A good example of the work that is now being done is found in the office of the city clerk.

At the present time, in addition to having the regular work of the city clerk on his hands, Carl E. Gallagher is clerk of the Board of Charter Commissioners, clerk of the Board of Review and also clerk of the Cemetery board, and thus has the minutes of the work of these boards to keep.

He has charge of the birth and death certificates here, which takes some little time. In 1917 he recorded 172 births and 114 deaths and so far this year has recorded 97 births and 73 deaths.

The work of keeping the council proceedings alone has grown greatly. From Jan. 9, 1917, to January 1, 1918, he has written 290 pages, both sides and single spaced, the paper being legal size. All matter on these pages was typewritten. In addition there have been the various legal notices, relating to sewers, sidewalks, paving, watermains, and other city matters, such as elections, registration, etc. From Oct. 7, 1913 to April 6, 1916, there were 262 pages of council proceedings.

He has also found time to cut down expenses for the city in certain quarters. For instance the city has been in the habit of sending out water rent statements by mail. Mr. Gallagher did away with this and has saved the city approximately \$24.00 each quarter, besides the printing of the notices. Cutting off the water on the final day for payment has also saved in making many pay up back bills, which might not otherwise been paid.

Many of the other city officers are finding their work increasing at the same rate, especially that of treasurer.

## BUY W.S.S.— CONSOLIDATE PAPERS

The Saginaw Courier-Herald, purchased by the Booth corporation some months ago, will be consolidated with the Saginaw Daily News on Wednesday of next week, according to reliable information which The Record has secured. The name of the publication will be The Saginaw News-Courier.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gerlier were Saginaw visitors yesterday.

## RESIGNS POSITION

High School Commercial Instructor Will Not Return Next Year.

M. Ray Kimball, commercial instructor of the Alma public schools for the past two years, will not return this coming year, although it had been expected that he would do so.

Mr. Kimball has accepted a good position in the accounting department of the Republic Motor Truck Company's plant, which offers him a better financial return than teaching.

During the two years he has been with the public schools Mr. Kimball coached the football and track teams with good success, in view of the material that was available. He has many friends among the students of the schools who regret to see him leave.

Seen the fore part of this week Supt. Schultz stated that no successor has as yet been secured for Mr. Kimball, and due to the scarcity of good male instructors not in the draft age, that the position will probably be filled by a woman. He has two or three commercial instructors in view, who are highly rated, but has not yet contracted for anyone to take the position.

## BUY W.S.S.— MOVE OFFICES

The Twin Cities Realty company is moving its offices from the Polasky block to the opera house block, where the offices of Bamsill & Sullivan will be occupied. It is understood that Bamsill & Sullivan are to discontinue their real estate business.

## BUY W.S.S.— YOUNG VOLUNTEERS

GIVEN GOOD SENDOFF

Royal Sendoff Given Seven Young Men Who Joined Army During Week.

A large number of the residents of Alma turned out Tuesday night to do honor to a number of young Alma men, under the draft age, who have volunteered their services in the army, enlisting for the duration of the war. The men left Wednesday for Grand Rapids for final examination before going into the service. It is expected that they will be sent to some southern training camp.

The band stand, which is called into use for all of the many patriotic affairs which are being staged in Alma these days, was pulled out to the corner of State and Superior streets, to do duty as a speakers' stand. When the speakers of the evening, Col. Mackum of the English army and A. H. Graham of the insurance department of the Republic, took their places on the stand, the Home Guards were drawn up at attention on one side and on the other side United States troops who arrived here Tuesday to drive trucks through to the coast, were drawn up at attention.

Col. Mackum, who has seen active service at the front, and a good deal of service too, as his record shows, having risen from a private in the ranks in two years and four months, during this time he was wounded time and again, lost his nose and one eye, besides other injuries, was the principal speaker. His experience was such that he was able to give a great account of the work the boys are doing over there, to tell the need of men at the front, and horrors of the Hun, and the general conditions that are existing in Europe. His address was listened to with great interest and greeted with rounds of applause.

A. H. Graham, former judge of probate in Isabella county, gave a short but highly interesting address, and paid a high tribute to the young men who were just entering the prime of life, but who had felt the call of duty and were offering their lives to their country if they are needed, young fellows, some of them just recently graduates of Alma high school. Bliss brothers furnished singing for the meeting.

Following the addresses the meeting was adjourned to the high school, where a dance for the young men was held in the high school gymnasium.

The men who left Wednesday were James Howe, Marlin Richards, Howard Walker, and Emory Casler of Alma, George Davis of Clare and Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Shanahan of Mt. Pleasant.

Recruiting Officer Smith expected to ship out another class the last of the month. By being sent out at the same time, men who enlist together are now certain of being together in the army, and Smith expects that this will stimulate enlistments in this section in the future.

## BUY W.S.S.— COMING TO ALMA

The Shriners of Saginaw will make a pilgrimage next week Thursday, and will visit Alma for a big session. Drills will be given in front of the Masonic home and a banquet will be held at the Wright House. It promises to be a big Masonic day in Alma.

J. M. Blakeslee of Detroit, a former resident of this city, was in Alma the first of the week. He is now connected with the Detroit office of the Chicago Bonding and Insurance company.

## ORGANIZING A COUNTRY CLUB

Open to Business Men of Cities and Towns Located in the County.

## KNOWN AS GRATIOT CLUB

Outgrowth of Meeting of Factory Heads and Business Men of Alma and St. Louis.

A new organization in Gratiot county which will include the business and professional men of St. Louis and Alma, is in the process of formation, which promises to cement the relations between the business men of each city and of the two cities jointly, more closely, especially as the two communities continue to grow in size, grow nearer to each other and have the same things to contend with.

The new organization is really coming to fill a long felt want among the business men of the two cities and the department heads of the Republic Motor Truck Company Inc., to furnish a place of recreation during leisure hours, where the men may take their wives and enjoy themselves, and where as time goes on mutual problems will without a doubt be thrashed out and the various business men of the two cities put in closer touch with each other.

A meeting of the business men of the two cities and the department heads of the Republic was called at the cafeteria of the plant last Thursday evening, a large number attending from each of the cities. The object of the meeting was the formation of a club which would fill the long felt want, and provide a good place of recreation, and entertainment for these men and their other business associates.

The meeting was called to order by J. I. McCormick, who explained the purpose of the gathering to organize and maintain a Country club. He also stated that upon investigation, it was found that a room 90 by 84 feet over the D. W. Robinson store, can be obtained, and that the plan is to equip this room with pool and billiard tables, card tables, cigar case, a cafeteria and also arrange for a dance hall there and thus make it possible for the business men to have some place to take their wives and enjoy their leisure hours.

When Mr. McCormick finished his explanation the meeting was turned over to H. M. Crooks, president of Alma college, who heartily approved of the plan. After an extended discussion a committee consisting of C. F. Brown, H. C. Carter and W. G. West was appointed as a nominating committee to suggest a committee, consisting of two members each from St. Louis, Alma and the Republic, who should select a board of governors.

It is the duty of the board of governors, to perfect plans for a permanent organization, and submit them at a later meeting. Mr. Carter, acting for the committee presented the names of L. Markle and W. L. Yost of St. Louis, Henry Soule and H. M. Crooks of Alma, and G. W. Rath and J. I. McCormick of the Republic Motor Truck Company Inc. The report of the committee suggested that the name of the club be known as the Gratiot County club. The report of the committee was adopted.

A short intermission was taken, following which the committee appointed a board of governors, the personnel of which follows: H. M. Crooks, chairman; H. H. Soule, G. W. Rath, J. I. McCormick, W. G. West, C. G. Rhodes, J. W. Blakely, L. Markle, Rev. Jackson and Mr. Benard. A committee on membership consisting of Messrs. Chick, chairman; Burns, West, Cave, Darragh and Bliss was also appointed.

It is understood that memberships in the club will not be confined to the business men of the two cities and the truck plant, but will be open to the business men of every city and town in the county, the idea being to make the club a real county affair.

Following the business meeting an elegant lunch was served in the cafeteria to those who attended the meeting, after which the meeting was adjourned subject to call of the chairman of the board of directors. About 150 members have already signed up.

## BUY W.S.S.— CUT DELIVERIES

The Union delivery system which handles the deliveries for the various stores of the city, has cut the deliveries over the city to just one delivery a day, probably for the duration of the war.

It is understood that the cut comes as a result of a request from the government, as a means of conserving man power and horse power. The delivery system here has been using six wagons and six men. In the future under the one delivery a day system, one half of the city will be covered in the morning and the other half in the afternoon, using three wagons and three men in covering the city in this way.